

A Splashin' Success at the New Family Aquatic Center

The new Bad Königshofen Family Aquatic Center, located in S.J. Stovall Park, is the coolest new spot for Arlington residents this summer. According to Aquatics Program Manager, Kym Lange, "The pool is generating record numbers. We knew the facility would be popular, but it has exceeded all of our expectations."

The facility is named after Arlington's sister city in Germany and the architectural flavor of the park reinforces that link. "Our goal was to build something new. We did not want to duplicate Randol Mill, Howard Moore or Helen Wessler," Lange said. The site is designed to provide amenities for all age groups. It also has a natural feel of stone, wood and landscaping to give the facility a sophisticated look that is attractive to both kids and adults. The design includes a restroom/concession building, administration building, lap pool, shallow water play pool, diving board, two slides and spray ground.



The facility will close for the 2006 season September 3rd.

For more information regarding programs at the facility, please contact Kym Lange, Aquatics Program Manager, at 817-459-5481



Upcoming Projects -

Dixon Holman Neighborhood Park

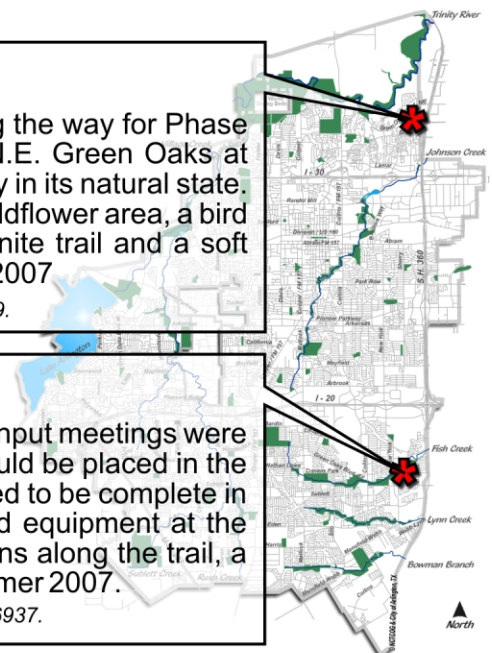
Northeast Arlington is about to get a new park. 1997 Bond Funds are paving the way for Phase one construction drawings of a new neighborhood park located south of N.E. Green Oaks at Burney Place and Pine Hollow Court. The heavily wooded site will stay mostly in its natural state. Site amenities in the master plan include a small pavilion, native grasses, a wildflower area, a bird and butterfly garden, a playground with seating areas, a decomposed granite trail and a soft nature trail with interpretive signage. The park is scheduled to open Summer 2007.

For more information regarding this park, please contact Jason Landrem, Park Planner, at 817.459.5489.

Fish Creek Neighborhood Park

The master plan for Fish Creek Neighborhood Park is complete. Two public input meetings were held to gather input from the neighborhood regarding the amenities that should be placed in the park. A consultant has been hired and construction documents are scheduled to be complete in Fall 2006. Proposed improvements include a walking trail, new playground equipment at the existing playground at Bryant Elementary school, a pavilion, exercise stations along the trail, a basketball court and landscaping. The park is scheduled to be complete Summer 2007.

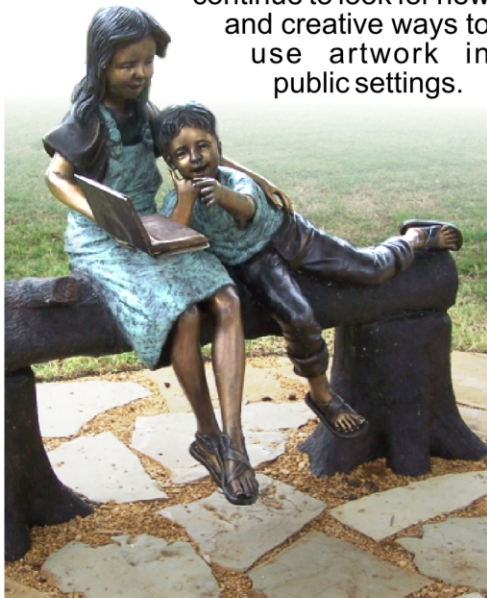
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"Art in the Park" is a new and ongoing effort to showcase artwork throughout the Arlington park system. Recently, several bronze statues were placed in various parks including George Stevens and Red Kane Neighborhood parks. In addition, two bronzes were also installed in front of the Parks' Administrative building on Cooper Street and one was installed in front of the central library on Abram Street.

Park planning staff will continue to look for new and creative ways to use artwork in public settings.



For more information regarding to this article, please contact Gordon Robertson, Park Planning Manager, at 817.459.5492.

Master Plan is Finalized for Webb Community Park!



A new Master Plan for Webb Community Park has significantly changed the development plan for this 140-acre community park in southeast Arlington. The Parks Department recently hosted two community input meetings and determined that what residents want is more soccer fields and more passive open space for family picnics and events. The new plan calls for additional soccer fields, a great lawn similar to River Legacy Park, additional pavilions including a large event pavilion, a unique water feature that will look like a shallow river flowing through the park and a larger children's playground. Plans are currently underway to construct three additional soccer fields and to expand the parking lot as part of a partnership agreement with the YMCA of Arlington which is contributing \$75,000 towards the construction of these facilities.

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Bridge & Trail Developments at Randol Mill Park

Pedestrian access in Randol Mill Park is now easier than ever. Money from the 1997 Bond Program funded improvements to enhance pedestrian flow within the park. Work included replacement of two pedestrian bridges over the creek located along the west side of the park and construction of approximately 2,500 linear feet of trail. One bridge washed out in June 2005 and the other had deteriorated to the point of disrepair. The new trail links two parking lots, the restroom, playground and pavilion on the west side of the park.

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